

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

APRIL 17, 2018

5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Public Works and Safety met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, Ron Jarman, and Dr. John Williams answered roll call. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES: Cameron moved to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2018 meeting as presented. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police – Chief Tucker reported that Subway will sponsor a fund raiser on May 14th from 2:00-10:00 p.m. with proceeds of 10% or up to \$500.00 being donated to the Police Department.

Tucker said he was approached by one of his officers who would like to take a part time position as a security officer at the courthouse. Tucker asked if this was allowable. Cameron asked if our insurance would cover the position. Tucker said they would be covered under the county's insurance since they would be considered a county employee. Cameron made a motion to allow the officer to accept the courthouse security position. McGowan seconded the motion. Williams was concerned that the officer would be leaving the SRO position with the school. Tucker said he thought the reason he wanted to leave that position was that the courthouse security was less of a workload. Additional training of 1 week is required for the SRO position. Motion carried.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Bids Police Department Roof** – One bid was received from Denny Corn. \$54,000.00 for 29 GA; \$60,000.00 for 26 GA; \$90,000.00 for standing seam. McGowan made a motion to accept the bid and table for review to determine the option desired. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. **Liquidation of 312 W 5th Street** – Newhouse said the assessed value was \$5,400.00 and we would be selling to the adjacent land owner. Newhouse asked if this was an acceptable amount. Williams made a motion to move forward with the sale. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **City of Rushville & Rush County Schools Negotiations (Rough Draft)** – We received the survey this week and it is being reviewed. We have forwarded a draft to the school. We will need to subdivide a portion of the park area. We should be ready to formalize the agreement at the next meeting.
4. **Community Crossing Culvert-Preconstruction Meeting** – The bid has been awarded. We will be setting a pre-construction meeting.
5. **Main Street Streetscape Improvement Project – Bid Approval** – Newhouse recommended the low bidder be awarded the bid with the stipulation of no change orders. He said there was some informality in the bid, such as the certificate of insurance and some other documents were missing. Cameron moved to accept the low bid as presented contingent on there being no change orders. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried with Jarman voting “nay”.
6. **Fire Department Rear Bay Floor Replacement** – Assistant Chief Munson presented a time frame schedule. He asked for permission to move forward with the bidding process. Williams asked if the general liability coverage should be a minimum of 1 million dollars. Pavey said they will upgrade pursuant to our insurance company’s request. Jarman moved to start the bidding process with minor changes that Munson needs to make and the insurance being redefined. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Spencer Street Culvert Claim and Cherry Street Claims** – Williams moved to approve the claims as presented. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Police Department Dispatch Hire** – Chief Tucker recommended hiring James Ryan Mundt as a fulltime dispatcher. Williams moved to hire Mundt. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mundt’s start date will be April 29.
3. **Fire Department Hiring Process** – Chief Jenkins said they have advertised in the newspaper, the City’s website, and the Fire Chief’s Association web site. The agility testing will be May 12, interviews will be May 31. He plans to have a recommendation to this Board on June 5 for 2 positions.
4. **Animal Control Resignation** – Cameron moved to accept the resignations of Cara Moran and Michael Isaacs. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: Cameron said the aerators at Blue Ribbon Estates were not working. This was brought to the attention of the Drainage Board. They are looking to have them replaced or fixed.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before the Board; Cameron moved to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.